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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1552

INFO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

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DEPT FOR AF/W AND L/AF

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, EFIS, OCLR, PLOS, BGEN, SG

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PENDING USIT OVER URDC CRASH

REF: (A) 76 STATE 119828, (B) 76 STATE 126555

1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY LOCAL ATTORNEY GILBERT DANON CONCERNING FATAL CRASH OFF LOME ON NOVEMBER 18, 1976, OF FISH-SPOTTING AEROCOMMANDER 500S OPERATED BY UNITED RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF U.S. DANON INDICATES THAT IT IS NOW VIRTUALLY CERTAIN THAT CRASH RESULTED FROM "GROSS ERROR" BY MOBIL GHANA WHICH ALLEGEDLY FILLED PLANE WITH JET FUEL BY MISTAKE. IN ABSENCE OF ANY OUT OF COURT SETTLEMENT, DANON EXPRESSES INTENTION TO SUE MOBIL US WHICH HELD BOTH CAPITAL AND TECHNICAL CONTROL OF MOBIL GHANA.

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2. HOWEVER, DANON UNDERSTANDS THAT EXPIRATION OF STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS MIGHT BE RAISED AS DEFENSE IN U.S. COURT AFTER NOVEMBER 18, 1977, AND HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY'S URGENT ADVICE AS TO WHEN STATUTE WOULD COME INTO EFFECT. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE AF/W AND L/AF PROVIDING US WITH APPROPRIATE RESPONSE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN VIEW OF SHORT TIME REMAINING BETWEEN NOW AND NOVEMBER 18.

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